

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The Sons of Norway is an organization dedicated to the preservation of Norwegian and other Scandinavian heritage; and,

Whereas, The Sons of Norway Lodge of Mitchell, South Dakota, will celebrate its 25th year of existence in that community on December 13, 2005; and,

Whereas, The Lodge will recognize its oldest member, Hilda Erickson, at the age of 103, who prides herself in being 100 percent Norwegian; and,

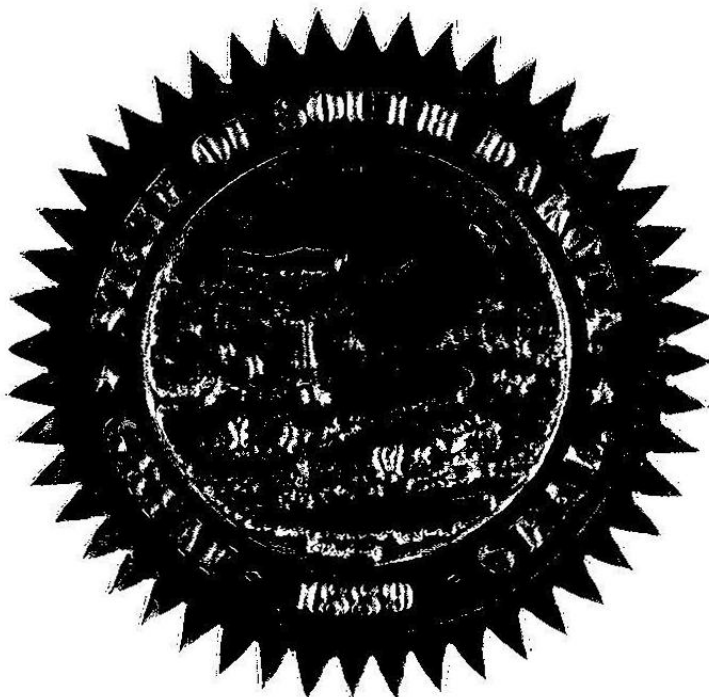
Whereas, The Lodge is proud to present its traveling trophy to Hilda in recognition of the years of service she has provided to the Sons of Norway organization:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 13, 2005, as

HILDA ERICKSON DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighth Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.



M. Michael Rounds
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State